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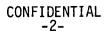
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs

FROM: Chairman, National Intelligence Council

SUBJECT: NIE 11-12, "Soviet Military Technology and Research and
                  Development"

1.   I approve preparation of a new NIE 11-12 as recommended in your memorandum dated 6 July 1981, subject as above. The Director, Office of Scientific and Weapons Research has approved my designation of [   ] 25X
[   ] as the manager of this Estimate. I will assign a Chairman for this 25X
undertaking at a later date, but, in the interim, you are requested to
initiate promptly the initial stages of the production process. [   ] 25X

2.   I appreciate that preparation of the NIE will require analyses
and contributions from several intelligence agencies. For this reason,
and in view of the complexity of the subject matter and the importance
of the estimate to Department of Defense consumers, the concept paper,
Terms of Reference and plan for producing the estimate should be prepared
in collaboration with Defense Intelligence Agency representatives. These
should then be reviewed by key consumers prior to submission to the National
Intelligence Council for approval. [   ] 25X

3.   In the attached memorandum, I have requested that the Director,
DIA, designate an officer to work with [   ] n planning the production 25X
of the NIE. [   ] 25X

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                                                 Henry S. Rowen

Attachment

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